

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
INDIANA STATE FAIR ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**



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I. STATUTORY DIRECTIVE

The Indiana General Assembly enacted legislation directing the Committee to do the following (IC 15-1-1.5-8):

- (1) Serve as liaison between the commission, the board of trustees of the barn, the board, and the general assembly.
- (2) Review policies affecting the activities of the commission, the barn, the state fair, the facilities at the fairgrounds, and the property owned by the commission.
- (3) Provide long range guidance for the commission, the board of trustees of the barn, and the board.
- (4) Review annually the commission's, the board of trustees of the barn's, and the board's budgets and other accounts and report financial conditions to the legislative council. A report under this subdivision to the legislative council must be in electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
- (5) Further advise the budget committee regarding appropriations and other financial matters concerning the commission, the board of trustees of the barn, and the board.
- (6) Propose, review, and make recommendations concerning legislation affecting the commission, the barn, and the board.

The Legislative Council did not assign any additional topics of study to the Committee.

II. SUMMARY OF WORK PROGRAM

The Committee met three times during the 2005 interim session. Meeting were held as follows:

1. August 10, 2005, in the Board Room of the Administration Building of the Indiana State Fairgrounds, 1202 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana: discussion of potential legislation relating to the term of members of the Indiana State Fair Commission; presentation and discussion of a preliminary report of the 2005 Indiana State Fair which had started that morning; presentation and discussion related to the Center for Agricultural Science and Heritage; remarks from the Director of the Indiana Department of Agriculture, and remarks from Committee members.

2. September 15, 2005, at the Center for Agricultural Science and Heritage, 1201 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana: discussion concerning the 2005 Indiana State Fair; discussion regarding the use of Fair property to house evacuees from Hurricane Katrina; report from the Center for Agricultural Science and Heritage; and a discussion of potential legislation concerning Fair related issues for the 2006 Session.

3. October 26, 2005, in the Board Room of the Administration Building of the Indiana State Fairgrounds, 1202 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana: presentation and discussion of the 2005 Indiana State Fair, including financial matters; presentation and discussion related to the Center for Agricultural Science and Heritage; and discussion of, and voting on, potential

legislation relating to the members of the Indiana State Fair Commission.

The Committee is not required to file a final report. For further details of the Committee's proceedings, the minutes of the meetings of the Committee can be accessed at <http://www.in.gov/legislative/interim/committee/sfac.html>.